

BLOCKHOUSE HAS A TABLET.

COL. GARDNER PRESENT WITH AN EYE OUT FOR THAT FLAG.

Thought It Had Got Away From Him Again!—Commissioner Pallas Dodged Women's Auxiliary, and Gen. Grant Had to Substitute—Dr. van Dyke Tells a Story.

The Women's Auxiliary of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society assembled yesterday at the old blockhouse in Central Park, where they were about to unveil a tablet commemorating the erection of that same blockhouse in the War of 1812-15. All the societies made up of descendants of that war were represented. Col. Asa Bird Gardner was there.

The Colonel arrived rather late. He was just taking his seat when his eye lit on an old American flag, which dived from a new flagpole, brought all the way from Maine for this ceremony.

The Colonel strode with his most militant carriage to the committee in charge.

"Where did you get that flag?" he thundered.

"It belongs to the Park Commission," said the ladies.

"It may," said the Colonel. "It may, but it looks to me strangely like another flag."

Col. Gardner had reference, of course, to the flag, the flag of the Colonel controversy. He was mistaken. It was only a chance resemblance. After seeing the blockhouse Col. Gardner convinced himself of that, and the ceremonies were allowed to proceed.

Col. Morehouse was not there to put in a counter claim.

"By the way, where is Col. Morehouse?" asked someone of the ladies' committee.

"Who is Col. Morehouse?" they said.

"We don't know any such person."

Several hundred people climbed the knoll at the northwest corner of Central Park to witness the ceremony of unveiling the tablet.

A land played Yankee Doodle, "The White Cockade," "Haste to the Wedding" and other popular tunes of a hundred years ago, besides the standard patriotic airs. The blockhouse was decorated with many flags, besides the suspected flag.

Dr. Henry van Dyke was the speaker of the day. He said in part:

"This tablet marks a fort which was never used but was of great use. It was never used because the war was ended before the British got round to take New York. It was of great use because it showed that New Yorkers were ready to do what was expected of them for their country and their flag. It is a monument of patriotic loyalty and duty. It speaks of a loyalty ready to use not only the musket and sword, but the pick and shovel in defense of the country."

The war of 1776 was a war of revolution; that of 1812 a war of evolution. The first proved that we were free men; the second that we were a people.

I believe myself that war is a relic of barbarism. I believe that when the brotherhood of man is well established and well organized war will disappear from the earth. Barbarism in many forms still lingers. It is not mine, however, to inquire whether the declaration of war in 1812 was wholly just and wise. I want only to show the fact which New York played in that struggle."

Dr. van Dyke went on to trace the early content of the British and the French. He said that the British and the French believed that it could not last; their insults and intrigues, whose aim was the destruction of the United States for their own ends. The situation became intolerable.

"Europe had asked 'Is the United States a real nation?' and to her great surprise we answered 'Yes.' You know the story of the cattleman in Chicago and the Methodist minister. The cattleman had been sampling native produce. The minister looked the part—single-breasted frock coat, white tie, tall hat, solemn aspect."

"Come have a drink," said the cattleman.

"My friend, I never drink!"

"I never smoke either," said the minister.

"You're the queerest case ever I met. Come have some fun with me."

"My friend, I never have fun."

"The cattleman said at once: 'After ducking the pavement with the cattleman, he said in a low, rough, guttural voice and picked the straw out of his hair.'"

"Say," said the cattleman, "you said you never had fun. Why you're just chuck full of it."

Dr. van Dyke's impersonation of the cattleman's jag was eminently successful.

"From the outset, New York was a commercial city," he went on. "On the park the troubles which led up to the War of 1812 bore with peculiar force. The city was equally opposed to a declaration of war and to an embargo. But when it grew plain that something had to be done the city chose an embargo as the lesser evil."

Days before the war was declared, she sent a protest to Washington. Yet when the die was cast New York threw herself into the support of the country.

"She didn't wait for the British to take the flag. That has always been the position of New York—stand by the flag."

On August 18, a British fleet stood off Sandy Hook. The British fleet was a combined attack by land and sea was imminent; that British troops were coming over the central park of Manhattan.

There was a call for troops and another call for volunteers. Laborers to throw up defenses in the park, and the city was ready to go to battle when the country needs them."

John C. Coleman recited the history of the Women's Auxiliary. He said in conclusion:

"In this time of tremendous influx of foreign population, it is good to cherish the thought that we are Americans and descendants of those who died that America might be the land of the free."

The moment of the unveiling approached. Park Commissioner Pallas was to have received the tablet on behalf of the city; but Pallas had not arrived.

It is a report, hardly more than a rumor, but they say that an employee of the Park Department saw the Commissioner mounting the knoll toward the blockhouse. The nearest he was ready to submit the more reluctantly he walked just before he reached the crowd, some unattractive joker, concealed in a bush, shouted:

"Jumel mansion!" and "D. A. R.!"

It is also reported that immediately afterward a dignified gentleman in a frock coat was seen hitting a Bernie Wofers golf ball southward on the West Drive. A mounted cop was in hot, but vain pursuit.

Anyway while the committee waited Dr. Fred Gardner chief of the crowd and came forward, explaining that Commissioner Pallas was unavoidably detained. Miss Van Buren Vanderpool dropped the flag which veiled the tablet, and Gen. Grant, facing the ladies, said under his breath:

"I hardly expected to be drafted into the War of 1812 in a moment like this—take the people of this country—taking an interest in old landmarks. This is largely through the patriotism of the ladies."

Commissioner Pallas had been here—he would have said—eloquent words. But

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on behalf of the commission—I accept this tablet. I thank you—for listening—to me." The tablet bears the following inscription: "This Block House was part of a line of fortifications extending from the Hudson to the Harlem River, built for the defense of New York by its patriotic citizens during the War of 1812-15. This tablet is erected by the Women's Auxiliary of the American Scenic and Historic Preservation Society, 1905."

BOTANIC GARDEN FOR BROOKLYN.

The Institute Receives a Donation of \$25,000 for Its Equipment.

In addition to the donation of \$25,000 recently received by the trustees of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences for the erection of an astronomical observatory, it was announced yesterday that a similar amount has been subscribed by some friends of the institute for the equipment of a botanic garden, for the purpose primarily of affording instruction to the students of public and private schools.

The garden is to be adjacent to the museum building on the lands reserved by the city for a botanic garden and arboretum. A special committee, headed by former Mayor Charles A. Schieren, has been appointed on plan and scope of the proposed garden.

WEDDINGS.

Riggs—Howard.

PROVIDENCE, June 10.—The marriage of Miss Betty Bruce Howard and Royal E. T. Riggs was performed in St. Stephen's Church to-day at 4 o'clock by the Rev. Dr. George McEllis. The bride was given away by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warner Shibley, and the bridegroom the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Riggs. There was a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shibley on Angel street.

The bride's only attendant was Miss Margaret Peck of Providence as maid of honor. The best man was Mr. Henry J. Whitehouse. The ushers were Clarence E. West and Bertrand L. Wells of Syracuse; Richard S. Simmons of New York; all classmates of the bridegroom at Williams.

The young couple received many handsome gifts, among the donors being Senator and Mrs. Edmund C. Platt, Mr. and Mrs. John A. McCall, Mrs. George E. McCall, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Ryan, Justice and Mrs. Edward E. McCall of New York, and ex-Senator and Mrs. Mackay. After the ceremony there was a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shibley on Angel street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzhugh Whitehouse are expected to arrive by Saturday from England and will probably go at once to Newport. Their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Whitehouse and W. F. Whitehouse, Jr., are unlikely their parents in preferring to make their home in America. Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Whitehouse pass the winter at their country place at Mount Kisco, N. Y.

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The wedding of Miss Mary Constance Berry and Mortimer Percy Arnold took place yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Thomas Andrews, in the city of New York. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. George McEllis, rector of the Fifth Avenue Collegiate Church, at 4 o'clock.

The bride wore a white satin gown, with deep lace and sleeves of lace and point lace. She carried a bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley. Miss Florence Virginia Allen, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid. Her bridesmaid was Miss Rosemary Nelson Hinkley, who was married to Mr. Arthur Hinkley, rector of St. Paul's Church, Cambridge.

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Ludlow—Wood.

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The bride was of embroidered white batiste, she wore a white hat. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Arthur Lawrence, rector of St. Paul's Church, Cambridge.

Hopkins—Wise.

Miss Margaret Weston Wise and Fredwell Gardner Hopkins were married yesterday afternoon in the West End Collegiate Church, West End avenue and Seventy-second street.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. George McEllis, rector of the Fifth Avenue Collegiate Church, at 4 o'clock. Miss Margaret C. Sanford was the maid of honor and Miss Helen Mason Wise, the bride's sister, and Miss Margaret Ewing were bridesmaids. Louis D. Hopkins assisted her brother as best man.

Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Wise, the bride's parents, gave a reception afterward at the Hotel St. Andrew.

IN SOCIETY.

Society folk who are now in their Long Island establishments, including Mr. and Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, are seen in town after sunset on the roof gardens and at the restaurants after the suburban, on Thursday, June 10.

Lady Edgar arrived here Wednesday. Lieut. Col. N. W. Barnardiston, Military Attaché of the British Legation at Brussels, and Mrs. Barnardiston, who also reached here on that day, have made but few visits to this country since their marriage. The Secretary of the Netherlands Legation and Baroness von Tuyl have been passing some days here. The Earl of Cathness is registered at the Albermarle. Prince Paroli was one of the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hanan on their yacht on Friday, when they entertained at luncheon at the Atlantic Yacht Club and at their theater and supper party later. Marquis Torre Hermosa and Count d'Artois were with parties of prominent persons at the opening of the Aerial Gardens on Monday night.

Among those booked to sail on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. on Tuesday are Mr. and Mrs. George Jay Gould, with their children; Mr. and Mrs. James Julius Aronson and Lieut. Granville Fortescue, and Mrs. Fortescue, who will sail on Wednesday, will return in a few months. Their departure has been delayed owing to the illness of Mrs. van Swinderen's mother, Mrs. Charles Glover, who was operated on for appendicitis recently.

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In France. His bride is a daughter of the late Constant Delmonico. The couple will return in time to attend the wedding of Joseph Du Vivier and Miss Eleanor Keyes, to be an autumn event.

Miss Jean Reid will serve as bridesmaid for the second time at the wedding in London, on June 23, of Miss Amy Phlips and Lieut. Frederick Guest. Last year she was one of Mrs. Alonzo Potter's attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Phlips, who have Brook House, Park Lane, for the season, have a fine establishment in which to hold the bridal breakfast.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who returned some time ago from their wedding journey, sailed on the Oceano last Wednesday and will spend the summer abroad. Mrs. Roosevelt was Miss Eleanor Roosevelt, and the wedding of the couple was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Parish, Jr.

Though it was somewhat chilly on Thursday afternoon, there was a good attendance at the fête champêtre given on the grounds of Mrs. J. Hood Wright's estate at 174th street and Kingsbridge road. About \$2,500 was realized from the entertainment, which was under the auspices of the Ladies' Association of the J. Hood Wright Hospital.

Mrs. J. Hood Wright's big house was thrown open to the public for the first time, with black lace and lilies of the valley. Mrs. Macomb G. Foster was chairman of the committee.

A party, including the bridegroom, ushers and friends, go on to Boston to-day for the wedding to-morrow of Robert D. Wrenn of this city with Miss Grace S. Dabney, to take place at Nahant. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. Dabney, the bride's parents, have their town house at 411 Beacon street and their seashore cottage at Nahant.

Mr. Wrenn will be attended by his brother, George L. Wrenn, Jr., as best man, and by William A. Larned, Jr., Townsend Adams, George G. Sage, Chester Chapin Rumrill, Albert R. Fish, Samuel D. Babcock and Albert Dabney as ushers.

Cards are here for the wedding of Miss Alice Stillwell and Lieut. Walter Holder, U. S. A., to take place on Wednesday at St. John's Church, Cornwall-on-Hudson. The bride is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stillwell.

Among other early sojourners at Saratoga have been Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Wrenn, who will go to their Newport place this week. Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Wilson, Jr., who are expected back from Europe in a fortnight, will go to their Newport cottage. Mrs. Ogden Goetz is likely to come over very soon. Mr. and Mrs. M. Orme Wilson, who have been going about in town for several days, are not partial to Newport. Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt are likely to be late in reaching the resort, as they were late last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Anson Phelps Stokes and Miss Stokes are expected home from Europe by July 6 and will go at once to their country place at Noroton, Conn. This will be the forerunner of the wedding of their son, James Graham Phelps Stokes, with Miss Rose Pastor. The ceremony will not be performed by the bridegroom's brother, the Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr.

James B. Ludlow and Mrs. Alexander Wood of Philadelphia, the youngest daughter of the late Major Gen. John W. Geary, U. S. A., who was Governor of Pennsylvania from 1867 to 1873, were married in St. Paul's Church, Stockbridge, Mass., yesterday afternoon. The Rev. Arthur Lawrence, rector of the church, officiated at the ceremony, assisted by the Rev. Prescott Everts, rector of Christ Church, Cambridge, Mass., who was a classmate of Mr. Ludlow at Harvard. Mr. and Mrs. Ludlow will occupy P. Bonadoni, one of Mrs. Harrison Kuhn's cottages at Lenox, until November.

Miss Florence Waring and Capt. Chauncey Humphries, U. S. A., are to have a big wedding on Wednesday in Grace Church, Plainfield, N. J. The bridegroom and his attendants will be in uniform and a great many officers will be among the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fitch Du Vivier, who sail for Europe this week, will remain abroad about four months and are to visit some of Mr. Du Vivier's relatives.

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